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Sir:

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An English abstract of the following foreign patent could not be obtained. In order to satisfy the requirement of a concise explanation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i), the following description is provided:

German Patent No. DT1466963 discloses a pressurized oral hygiene device for cleaning teeth and the mouth.

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If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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